

**VICTOR E. SCHWARTZ**

**BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

Victor E. Schwartz received his Bachelor of Arts degree (History) from Boston University, Summa Cum Laude and his Juris Doctor from Columbia University, Magna Cum Laude. He was an editor of the Columbia Law Review and received numerous awards for his scholarship. He served as law clerk to a Federal judge. He was a member of the faculty at the University of Cincinnati College of Law and practiced law in the State of Ohio. He served as Acting Dean and has continued his association with the school as an Adjunct Professor.

After leaving Cincinnati, he chaired the Federal Interagency Task Force on Product Liability and received the Secretary of Commerce's Special Medal for his efforts. He drafted the Uniform Product Liability Act which has been the basis for most state product liability legislation. He chaired the Federal Interagency Council on Insurance, which coordinated all insurance policy issues within the Federal Government. He developed the Risk Retention Act which facilitates commercial self-insurance for small businesses, and it has been enacted into law.

Since 1980, Mr. Schwartz has been a partner in the Washington, D.C. law firm of Crowell & Moring. He co-chairs the firm's Torts and Insurance Practice Group. His practice involves litigation, the development of legislation and product liability loss prevention. He is also an Adjunct Professor at Georgetown University Law Center.

Mr. Schwartz has chaired the Products, General Liability and Consumer law Committee of the American Bar Association; the Torts Section of the Association of American Law Schools, and serves on the Product Safety & Liability Reporter Board of Advisors. He is a member of the American Law Institute and was recently appointed to the Advisory Committee of the Restatement of Torts (Third): Products Liability project. He currently chairs the Civil Justice Reform Committee of the American Legislative Exchange Council and the Legislative Committee of the ABA Litigation Section. He is a Director of the American Tort Reform Association.

He is co-author of the most widely used torts casebook in the United States, Prosser, Wade and Schwartz, Cases and Materials on Torts. The text has sold over 300,000 copies. He is author of the leading treatise on the topic of Comparative Negligence and co-author of a treatise on Multistate Litigation. His written works have frequently been cited by state Supreme and Federal courts throughout the United States.

In light of these accomplishments, The National Journal has named Mr. Schwartz one of the 15 attorneys in the United States who make a difference in the formulation of public policy.

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